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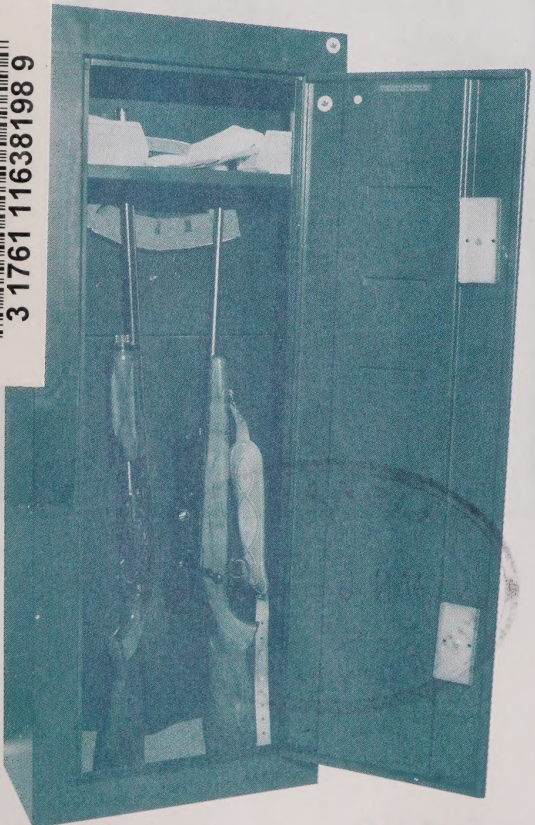


Safe Storage Regulations For Firearms

For Individual Firearm Owners

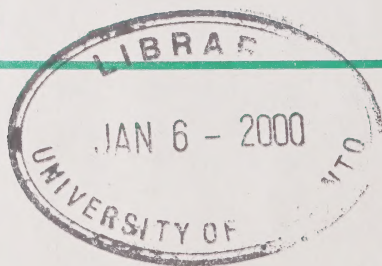


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DO THE FIREARMS STORAGE REGULATIONS APPLY TO ALL FIREARMS?

Yes. The firearms storage regulations apply to all firearms, including antique firearms.



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WHAT ARE THE STORAGE RULES FOR NON-RESTRICTED FIREARMS?

Store **non-restricted** firearms:

- **unloaded; AND**
- **unable to be fired:**
 - ◇ by using a secure locking device*; **or**
 - ◇ by removing the bolt or bolt carrier; **or**
 - ◇ by locking in a sturdy, secure container or room that cannot be easily broken open or into; **AND**
- **in a place where ammunition for the firearms IS NOT easy to obtain.** Ammunition that is stored in a securely locked container that cannot be easily broken open, can be stored with the firearms. (If the securely locked container can hold both the ammunition and the firearms, they can be stored together in the container.)

Non-restricted firearms do not have to be stored unable to be fired or away from ammunition for the firearms if the firearms are being stored **IN REMOTE WILDERNESS AREAS**. Firearms must still be stored unloaded.

* **Secure locking device** means a device that:

- can only be opened or released by the use of an electronic, magnetic or mechanical key or by setting the device with a combination of numbers or letters; and
- when applied to a firearm prevents the firearm from being discharged.

WHAT IF I USE MY NON-RESTRICTED FIREARMS FOR PREDATOR CONTROL?

As long as they are **unloaded**, non-restricted firearms used for predator control (in areas where it is legal to discharge a firearm) can be **TEMPORARILY** stored:

- **unlocked; AND**
- **out in the open.**

WHAT ARE THE STORAGE RULES FOR RESTRICTED AND PROHIBITED FIREARMS?

Store restricted and prohibited firearms only if they are:

- **unloaded; AND**
- **unable to be fired:**
 - ◇ by using a secure locking device; **and**
 - ◇ by storing the firearms in a sturdy, securely locked container or room that cannot be easily broken open or into; **OR**
- **securely locked** in a safe, vault or room that has been built or adapted for the safe storage of restricted and prohibited firearms; **AND**



- **in a place where ammunition for the firearms is not easy to obtain.**

Ammunition can be stored with the firearms if the ammunition is stored:

- ◇ **in a securely locked container that cannot be easily broken open** (If the container holds both the ammunition and the firearms, they can be stored together in the container); **or**
- ◇ **in a securely locked safe, vault or room built or adapted** for the safe storage of restricted and prohibited firearms.

If they can be removed, the bolts or bolt-carriers must be removed from fully automatic firearms. Store the bolts or bolt carriers in a securely locked room (separate from the one that holds the fully automatic firearms) that cannot easily be broken into.

Fully automatic firearms stored in locked vaults, safes or rooms, built or adapted for the secure storage of prohibited firearms, do not need to have their bolts or bolt carriers removed.

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**IN SOME CASES, MUNICIPAL AND PROVINCIAL
REGULATIONS MAY APPLY.**

**THIS IS NOT A LEGAL TEXT. FOR DETAILED INFORMATION,
PLEASE SEE THE FIREARMS ACT AND REGULATIONS
(STORAGE, DISPLAY, TRANSPORTATION AND HANDLING OF
FIREARMS BY INDIVIDUALS REGULATIONS);**

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